

REMARKS

In accordance with the foregoing, the specification has been amended to improve form and provide improved correlation with the drawings and claims. Claims 40-44 have been amended, and claims 1-44 are pending and under consideration. No new matter is presented in this Amendment.

REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §101:

Claims 40-44 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as reciting statutory subject matter. The applicants have amended the claims and specification, in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion, to recite a computer readable medium. Accordingly, the applicants submit that claims 40-44 recite statutory subject matter, and the rejection of claims 40-44 should be withdrawn.

REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §102:

Claims 1-44 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Park et al. (U.S. Patent 7,289,404). The applicants respectfully traverse.

Park is not available as prior art under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e). Park et al. was filed on September 23, 2003, and does not claim priority to any earlier-filed U.S. application. The instant application claims priority to Korean Application No. 2003-0024869, which was filed on April 19, 2003, prior to the filing date of the Park reference. The applicants have submitted a verified translation of the Korean application to perfect the priority claim. Accordingly, the effective filing date of the instant application is April 19, 2003. Since the Park reference was filed after April 19, 2003, the Park reference is not available as prior art under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e), or under any other subsection of § 102. Accordingly, the rejection of claims 1-44 should be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION:

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 503333.

Respectfully submitted,

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